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Petition

Wherefore, I pray that Letters Patent be granted to me for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the above-mentioned specification and claims, and I hereby subscribe my name to the foregoing Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition with reference to the above-mentioned specification and claims.

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**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY
STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) AND 1.27(b) - INDEPENDENT INVENTOR**

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to the invention entitled:

**A SPLIT STOP FOR AUTOMATIC SWIMMING POOL COVERS WITH A HYDRAULIC DRIVE
SYSTEM**

described in the specification filed herewith

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